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REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE CORRELATED WITH PHENOTYPIC DRUG RESISTANCE

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment is filed in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 17, 2009, for which a response was due December 17, 2009. Applicants include with this response a Petition for Extension of Time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for two months and the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) to extend the deadline to file this response to February 19, 2010. This Amendment is timely filed February 2, 2010. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.